

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of )  
HERMEKING et al. ) Prior Group Art Unit: 1636  
Divisional of )  
Serial No.: 09/210,748 ) Prior Examiner: B. Loeb  
Filed: August 28, 2001 ) Atty. Docket No.: 01107.00187  
For: 14-3-3 ARRESTS THE CELL CYCLE )

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Honorable Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Preliminarily to the examination of the above-identified application, kindly amend the application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Page 1, after the title, substitute the following paragraph:

This application is a Divisional Application of U.S. Application No. 09/210,748, filed December 15, 1998, and claims the benefit of provisional application Serial No. 60/069,416, filed December 18, 1997, both of which are incorporated by reference herein.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 3-5 and 25-48.

**COMPUTER READABLE FORM:**

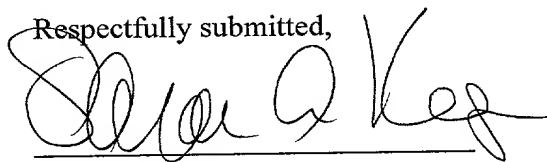
Please use the computer readable form of the sequence listing filed on September 12, 2000 in application Serial No. 09/210,748 for examination of this application. It is understood that the

Patent and Trademark Office will make the necessary change in application number and filing date for the computer readable form that will be used for the present application. A paper copy of the Sequence Listing is included with the filing of this Divisional application. The content of the paper and computer readable forms are believed to be identical.

**REMARKS**

The amendment to the specification is made in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 119, 37 C.F.R. 1.78 and 37 C.F.R. 1.55. No new matter has been entered. Entry is requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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**MARKED-UP VERSION**

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